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#### IF VERDUN SHALL FALL

The French military authorities of placing final reliance on the ability of any great fortress to hold out against the Germans. They learned at Liege, at Namur, at Maubeuge, the impossibility of such reliance. They have made Verdun as strong as possible, and against the fearful attacks of the Germans will hold it

from it to resume trench warfare in companies. magnificently prepared trenches. straighten out the lines in which that position has been an exposed that to lose Verdun is to have their conservative investigation. line crumpled up or Paris instantly rendered untenable. They know that that in the end the Kaiser will, even if he succeeds, have merely sold tens millions of dollars annually. of thousands of his bravest soldiers' lives for a worthless prize. The French army will not be trapped in Verdun, or any other fortress.

#### WHAT DOES BERLIN MEAN?

In all these discussions over armed merchantmen by the Berlin foreign office and its representative in this country, Ambassador Bernstorff, there is a singularly persistent juggling of ideas and confounding of principles, undoubtedly premeditated and possibly significant.

Repeated assurances are given in various forms that under Berlin's new doctrine a submarine will not seek to sink merchantmen unless those merchantmen attack the submarine by firing at it or by ramming it or unless they attempt to escape.

But this was long ago agreed. We have never questioned the legal right of a submarine to fire at a merchantman seeking to escape capture, much less at a merchantman putting up a fight against the submarine. Nobody would undertake to question the legal right of the submarine to shell a merchantman until it should stop for visit and search or for surrender. It is not apparent why those prin-

ciples upheld by all nations should thus be dragged into this new controversy in the way they are, unless the Berlin foreign office, as it has done so often before, is deliberately setting up in this country a case which it can gradually and quietly compromise while making it appear lobby. at home that there are at issue two entirely separate cases, one of which Berlin does not and never did question and one of which it does not and never will abandon.

This putting out of final decisions for home consumption has been so habitual with the Berlin foreign office that there is every reason to suspect the same sort of performance now. And yet there is always the hideous chance that if, after all, Berlin does not intend to commit an act which would force the United Democratic majority of the Senate States Government to a break with Judiciary Committee have tried to the German government something twist in his favor, Brandeis, as remight go wrong with the plan.

existing relations with us by not tor- has become, on the testimony given pedoing any merchantman, armed or there, a thoroughly discredited man. informed quarters comes the report unarmed, without giving innocent Perhaps no man whose nomination that after the smoke has cleared neutrals a chance to quit the ship, for the highest tribunal in the land Berlin, although declaring that has been thrown out by the Senate actly where he sits. armed merchantmen are ships of was ever more thoroughly discredwar, may intend to treat them as if ited. Those who are most insistent they were not armed, to give them in their demand that he should go warning, to permit passengers and into the Supreme Court because of crews to take to the boats; but a von his great ability can hardly feel Tirpitz submarine commander may now that his qualifications in other take his instructions from the ad- respects are satisfactory. miralty rather than from the foreign office. That would be no new men in the Supreme Court in whose

thing in this submarine warfare. maintains submarines have the right in the record of Brandeis. Nobody three minutes, the Senate ought to to do with an armed merchantman, could say as to that for sure. But be sble to put over some sort of the United States Government has it is inconceivable, if there have been cloture legislation. no cause for a break until they do it. men like that on the Supreme Bench, If they never do it, no matter how that such things could have been much they talk about doing it, the made public about them in the offi- life is just one damp cell after anoth-United States Government will never cial records of the upper and con-

have to act.

an even chance that a submarine may do it, just as heretofore a sub- confirm it. marine here, a submarine there, and a submarine some place else has althing this Government said should anyhow. Those who are in a posinot be done. And if in this case it tion to know declare that it is the they can do in six weeks what others should be done and American lives purpose of those in control of the should be sacrificed President Wil- Senate to put the Supreme Court son, after his warning to the Berlin into politics and to begin the work foreign office and after his declara- of making this tribunal a political tion to Congress, delivered in the machine with the confirmation of shape of his official letter to Senator Brandeis. Stone, would be face to face with an | But it is almost unthinkable that unqualified rupture or an absolute when a President like Grover Cleve- lodge.

The Washington Times back-down. It would have to be one

VATO IT, MR. PRESIDENT

The House of Representatives is passing the postoffice appropriation bill today.

A casual consideration of some provisions auggests as pertinent the nquiry whether this bill has been written by the department, the committee, and the House or by the lobbies representing the rural carriers, the city clerks and collectors, the bonding companies, the express comare not making the mistake again panies, and the various other interests that are concerned to benefit through this legislation.

with all determination. But it is not This means to atrophy, to dwarf all which the world first became slightly Rather, they will make the great parcel post. Congressman Lewis, war. fortress cost their enemies a stag- who knows more about it than any- Now, following the development of gering price in lives and munitions, body else, says this provision is the Verdun campaign, it is declared and then, if necessary, will retire worth \$50,000,000 to the express that the trenches are just as useless

salient. There is no panic in Paris about double those recommended by must be moving; it must have wellabout the terrific attacks on Verdun, the Bourne joint Congressional com- nigh exhaustless reserves to take The French people do not assume mission after its very complete and the places of those who fall; it must

to vote on the provision for the conthey are taking a tremendous toll duct of its own business of bonding places that are dipped out. In short, from the assailants; they believe employes, although that provision would have saved the Government

There is inserted one single provision, not quite two lines long, that will cost the Government about \$10,-000,000 a year ultimately. It reads:

Na part of the money herein ap-propriated for rural delivery service shall be used to cover any expenses upon any neter vehicle route until a majority of the patrons to be served, by such motor vehicle route shall, by written petition, ask the Postoffice Department to establish such motor vehicle route.

That provision simply means that the extension of motor vehicle service is practically killed. The average miles; the average horse-and-buggy route, twenty-four miles. About 1,000 horse-and-buggy routes have already been converted into 500 motor vehicle routes, at an average saving of about \$500 for each of the horse-and-

routes into motor-vehicle routes un- as summer-day tourneys compared less the majority of patrons shall to the supreme horrors of the bat-

in order to save his job, and to prevent the betterment of service, has merely to get his patrons to refuse signatures to the petition just as a personal favor to him.

Experience has proved conclusively that it is practically impossible in most cases to get such a petition against the appeal of the rural carriers.

This innocent looking little proviso represents the rural carrier

The whole bill reads as if it had been prepared for the express purpose of representing every possible interest except good service and economical administration.

President Wilson ought to let it be known that he will veto it unless it is radically reformed in the right

### BRANDEIS DISCREDITED

At the very hearings which the gards his fitness to sit in the Su-Berlin may intend to preserve the preme Court of the United States, hopes on the fact that they know

It may be that there have been records there were things as unsat-Of course, no matter what Berlin isfactory as have been shown to be firming branch of Congress and that The trouble is there is more than then a Chief Executive would let the

The constant word is that the Democratic machine in control of the ways come along to do the very Senate is going to confirm Brandeis

land could have had some of his nominations to the Supreme Court— notably William B. Hornblower and Wheeler H. Peckham-thrown out by a Democratic Senate, the only Democratic Senate there has been in all the years since then should force Brandeis into the Supreme Court, whatever his disqualifications, how-ever shocking a thing it must be to public sentiment and however costly Famous Musician Before to the reputation of the Democratic party.

#### ELEMENTAL WAR ONCE MORE

The huge artillery pieces that the Germans introduced and that their enemies are now matching as fast as possible, made fortresses, even when Unless this bill is thoroughly over- built of concrete and armor plate, hauled in the Senate, it ought to be all but worthless; traps, rather than places of safety. Then the armies There was inserted a provision went out into the open field, dug making fifty pounds the maximum themselves into the ground, and weight of any parcel post shipment. fought the trench warfare with possible proper development of the familiar during the Russo-Japanes

as the great fortifications were, In amending the provision govern- whenever a great artillery fire is ing the payments for hauling mail concentrated against them. The only cars, the terminal rates have been so thing that can stand at all against increased that it is declared they are this kind of attack is infantry. It be so perfectly trained and so reckless of death that it shall act like water, flowing forever in to fill the places that are dipped out. In short, human valor, human capacity for sacrifice, human thoughtlessness of life, must at last be the one force to stand against the most destructive of attacks.

This means hand-to-hand fighting; and in this men of the twentieth

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day war as largely a war of ma-chinery. The truth is that there never was a period when battle de-never was a period when battle de-anini. that his art is and always will manded so much from the individual man, when his chance of escape was But hereafter, if this provision less, when the strain on his nerves shall remain in the bill, there will be and physique was comparable. The conversion of horse-and-buggy storied conflicts of olden time were tlefield of today; and human valor This means that the rural carrier, is once more the determini f factor.

### WILSON, THE NOMINEE

Ex-Representative Bartholdt of St. Louis, as persistently a hyphenated disturber of the neutrality and peace the headline positions on the bill at and welfare of the nation as if he were still in Congress, said at a meeting of German editors and publishers in Chicago: "It is not even certain that Wilson will be the nomnee of the Democratic party."

Well, it isn't certain if there is any doubt that water runs down hill, that the sun is going to rise tomorrow morning, and that all men, being mortal, must sooner or later die. Otherwise, the surest thing a in this country in general and in the Democratic party in particular is that if Woodrow Wilson lives until the St. Louis convention selects its candidate he will be the nominee of the Democratic party.

Speaking of that mail theft, it appears that all burglars are unintelligent. They always "just miss" about ten times as much as they get.

Friends of Hughes base their exactly where he stands. From wellaway the public will still know ex-

Mr. Schiff might be informed that the average cit. would not be ashamed to loan \$100,000,000 to the Russian government.

There are those who still believe that the Arlington Hotel project has mere paper weight.

If the Housekeepers' Alliance can limit the talks of its members to

Henry Siegel, New York financier, probably is beginning to believe that

Jess Willard fears the monotony of training. Government clerks here nomination stand and the Senate would be glad to have him take a day off, and come down for a little whirl with Cong. Borland.

Now Mr. Morgenthau comes home to find out how public opinion stands in the U. S. Some persons believe

# George Arliss Scores in Paganini; ARMY LEGISLATION Poli Players Present "Kick-In" STILL INCOMPLETE

First-Nighters at National.

LOVE STORY ENDS HAPPILY

Miss Margery Maude, in Role of Charlotte, Earns Distinction in Play.

BORGE ARLISS appeared at the National Theater last night in a comedy which has never before been seen in Washington, "Paganini," written by Edward Knoblauch.

and interest aside from the fact of his who could even attempt such a part. The exigencies of the delineation derole, depth of research and study into the realm of music alone, and a keen

renounce, a young English girl. While it is difficult for most stage

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This means hand-to-hand fighting; and in this men of the twentieth century are not greatly different from men of forty centuries earlier; it is hand against hand, foot against tot, eye against eye. The artillery can be of small avail when great forces come to close quarters as they did in the assaults upon Fort Douaumont, because neither side dares make the most effective use of its guns, lest its own troops be the sufferers.

The story opens in the home of an Englishman, where the Maestro has been a guest. His visit is at a close. He must say good-by to Charlotte, the daughter of the house. Their love affair is not dangerous, merely hero worship en her part, and an idealized affection on his. Her flame, however, fired by jcalousy, fans the flame into a real passion. After Paganini has gone in a coach supplied all too willingly by the parents of the jealous young man, stung by the taunts of her father the gril leaves her home, and follows the artist to Dover, going with him thence to Calais.

Miss Franklin, with her husband, Burt Green, at the plane, is offering her familiar songs, "Dirty Face." Head," and several new numbers of the characteristic Franklin brand, pleases in her "innocent kid" imperson-

The Cressy sketch is this year brought up-to-the-minute in its connection with the peace ship and the "Tin Lizzie," Mr. Dayne giving his usual impersonation of the villagemaster and jack of all trades.

Captain Gruber and Mile Adelina introduce an element house and property of the contraction of the contraction of the peace and the contraction of the co Captain Gruber and Mile Adelina in-troduce an elephant, a horse, pony, and a dog in an excellent exhibition of animal training. Harry Tighe, of "col-lege days" fame, assisted by the dimin-utive Sylvia Jason, have a song offer-ing away above the average. Lucie and Fritz Bruch, violin and 'cello virtuosi, won merited applause for their various numbers.

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allty that is brought out especially well in photoplay. As the wood nymph she is thoroughly in keeping with the syl-van setting that has been given her. Frank Campeau, Wilfred Lucas, and Will West are in the supporting cast. Will West are in the supporting cast. With the second feature, "The Perils of the Park," in which Harry Gribben gives some very amusing Keystone comedy, the "Wood Nymph" will be shown again today.

Tomorrow and Thursday Harold Lockwood and May Allison appear in "Life's Blind Alley." a Western drama, and Anna Little will be presented in "Double Crossed," both being Mutual dramas

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The Triangle company will introduce Orrin Johnson and Enid Markey in "The Price of Power" Friday and Saturday, a play that is said to tell something of the real price in happiness and contentment that is paid for power. The second feature will be Winifred Greenwood in "The Happy Masquer-

The local Boy Scout officials have adopted the plans of J. Woodbridge Fatton, field executive of Washington. to hold monthly activities for all

they can do in six weeks what others have failed to accomplish in six years.

Physician to Lecture.

Columbia Council, No. 443, National Union, is arranging a lecture to be given by a Washington physician at Pythian Temple on the evening of March II. It will be the first of a series of monthly lectures to be given by the ledge.

Washington Scouts.

"A day a month for the scouts" is the new slogan for Washington. The plan was started on Washington's Birthday, when about 1908 scouts gathered for a day's raily at the home of A. C. Moses, president of the Washington council, at Chevy Chase.

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# IN TRIO OF SHOWS

Society Greets Washington Actors and Actresses in War Benefit Plays.

"Allies," a war play, "The Death of antaglies," a Maeterlinck tragedy Cantagiles," and "The Master Parent," a modern play were presented by the Washington Stage Society at the Belasco last night.

The proceeds will be contributed to aid an institution founded in Paris in which blind French soldiers may be re-educated The casts of the three offerings inluded many prominent in Washingon theatricals, and the audience was

made up of many from the diplomatic and Washington society. ing the French Ambassador and Mme. "The Master Parent" proved to be sketch full of comedy, in which an frate parent is cleverly outwitted by a saucy daughter in the marriage of

a saucy daughter in the marriage of the man of her own choice. Charles F. Weston, Miss Frances Carpenter, Miss Judith Ives, John W. Thomson, Miss Alice Bryce, and Franklin C. Knock made up the cast.

The war play was in one act, dealing with revolutionary times, with Robert Daly, Mrs. Howel Smith, Morven Thompson, R. F. Beresford, Dr. S. D. Breckinridge, and Dr. A. F. Hopkins, who composed the play and directed its production.

The tragic story of "Tantagiles" was told in two acts, filled with the best lines of Maurice Macterlinck and acted with excellent taste by a cast headed by Mrs. Gwendolen Logan Hubbard, who has been in the support of Sir Johnstone Forbes-Robertson.

Others in the gruesome play included Miss Mildred Brown, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, J. J. Cunningham, Miss Katherine Hill, Miss Dorothy Denys and Miss Lens Hitchcock.

#### GAYETY.

act turlesque show that is being presented at the Gayety this week As the tile indicates the scenes are laid in Paris and the siender plot re-

around the escapades of Frenchee, a much married young

It is there, in the last act, that she is brought to realize, along with Pagnanini, that his art is and always will be first in his heart, to the subjugation of all else.

She goes willingly into the arms of her English lover, and everything ends happily.

The scenes are delicately and exquisitely planned, and minor parts are satisfactory. In the role of Charlotte, Miss Margery Maude, daughter of Cyril Maude, the eminent English actor, does credit to her distinguished parent.

F. Y.

KEITH'S.

Irene Franklin, in her repertoire of character songs, and Will Cressy and Blanche Dayne in their well-known sketch, "One Night Only," are sharing the headline positions on the bill at Keith's this week.

Miss Franklin, with her husband, Burt

are above the average burlesque show.

## GARDEN.

Jealousy is the motive power of the plots of both the chief features of the week at the Garden Theater, although one is a tense drama and the other a

Keystone comedy. The first, under the title of "The Green Swamp," brings two real artists of the drama forcibly to the attention of photoplay patrons in the persons of Bruce MacRae and Bessie Barriscale. The work of these two is so far above the average of photoplay acting. The players are seen in a setting that

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### TO SHOW FILMS OF MISSIONARY LANDS

Will Be Feature of Epworth League Service Tonight.

The second session of the annual co-operative Epworth League Institute of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which opened last night in Calvary M. E. Church, will begin tonight at 7:30 o'clock with a song service. The usual conferences of the various branches of workers and of-ficers will follow.

BOY SCOUTS ADOPT

'DAY-A-MONTH' MOTTO

New Activities to Mark Work of Organization Here.

'Coy, the Rev. John T. Enser, the Rev. H. M. Cantor, and the Rev. L. Morgan Chambers. Rev. H. M. Cantor, and the Morgan Chambers.

Robert Burbank presided at last night's session and speeches were made by Bishop Earl Cranston, the Rev. W. L. McDowell, the Rev. John T. Ensor, C. H. Hunt, William T. Ensor, C. H. Hunt, William T. Canton Seneral secretary Y. T. Ensor, C. H. Hunt, William Knowles Cooper, general secretary Y. M. C. A.; the Rev. John R. Esalas, the Rev. D. L. Blakemore, and the Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman.

## Tomorrow night the second annual banquet will be held in the church. To Give Benefit Tea.

For the benefit of the literature fund of the Tuberculosis Hospital, a tea is to be given at Rauscher's Friday, from t to 6, by the Christ Child Society. The admission fee will be a juvenile book, or a small cash contribution.

## Willard Mack's Stirring "Crook" Play Is Welcomed By

**VAN BUREN IN LEADING ROLE** 

Large Audience.

Stock Company Adds to Honors By Forceful Presentation of Show First Offered Here.

this week at Poli's playhouse of Willard dack's Broadway success. "Kick In." flow audience last night in its first stock As "Chick" Hewes, reformed crook

and his loyal young wife, A. H. Van Buren and Miss Florence Rittenhouse respectively, gave delightful cyfdence of versatility. The Molly of Miss Ritparts she has been seen in in many weeks. The battle of "Chick" and Molly danming circumstantial evidence involving them in the theft of a \$20,000 diamond necklace, also portrayed one of the modern day problems of prison re

usual thrill to the dialogue. In this Ben Taggart, as "Whip" Fogarty, the and Miss Marguerite Starr as "Memphis Bessie," were in lifelike casts. The realistic struggle between "Chick" and the "Whip," in the third act, in which Molly comes to the rescue by drugging the detective, is one of the most tense moments of the scene. Gruesome features are delicately etched with a play upon the auditor's imagination in the isposal of the body of the diamond thief, who, wounded to death, sought refuge in the house of his former pals. 'Chick" and Molly.

The new Poll juvenile, Eugene Desnond, is also introduced in the repulsive role of the dope fiend brother of Molly

Handicapped by an unsympathetic role,
Mr. Desmond gave a realistic interpretation, and was cordially welcomed to
the ranks of the local favorites.

Miss Blanche Friderici, as the Irish
landlady, portrayed a striking character part. As the sweetheart of the diamond thief, Miss Mary Alden was an
other responsers, who made the frost of mond thief, Miss Mary Alden was another newcomer, who made the most of a small but vital part. Miss Cecil Kohlman, another newcomer, also was pleasing in a comedy role, especially in a gum-chewing monologue. Mr. Howard Lang, as the police commissioner, gave his usual convincing portrayal.

Stage settings and "props" of the

### LOEW'S COLUMBIA.

that has made her one of the best beloved of the motion picture stars, Mary Pickford realized all the nice things that have been said about her work as 'Poor Little Peppina" before audiences that crowded Loew's Columbia Theater all day yesterday.

The Pickford curls and the Pickford

pout, charming as they are, give place initiation.

Jr. O. U. A. M.—Fotomac Council, So. 130 initiation.

Jaughters of America—Fidelity Council, No. 131 initiation. If by the real artist of the stage. There were it is when even her best friends couldn't have recognized Miss Pickford. And there was seidom a time when her most cherished enemy would not have admitted a real actress was developing a very human character as the action of the play progressed. would not have admitted a real actress was developing a very human character as the action of the play progressed.

"Poor Little Peppina" is a hit more of a play than anything Miss Pickford has had for a long time, and it seems to have been written to develop the character of "Peppina" rather than to permit the actress to be her very retransling self.

freshing self.

The result is that she is herself, and yet is "Peppina," too, and the combination is all that her friends and her

tion is all that her friends and her critics could desire.

The story deals with the adventures of a little girl who is brought up near Naples. by an Italian vine grower as his own daughter. On refusing to marry the man selected for her she is helped to escape by her foster brother to America. She makes the trip as a boy, and as a boy she works at various and as a boy she works at various things in New York. The play works out happily and Peppina rings a rear home and a real love in Gramatic fash-

ion.

The story was written as an original photoplay manuscript by Kate Jordan, and is the first real photoplay that Miss Pickford has had since she left Miss Pickford has had since she left the old Biograph forces. Her leading man is Eugene O'Brien, last seen in this city as leading man for Ann Mur-dock. W. J. Carleton has a small part, and Jack Pickford is also in the sup-

#### HAITIAN TREATY GETS APPROVAL OF SENATE

Pact Establishes Fiscal Protectorate Over the Republic.

The Haltian treaty, under which the United States establishes a fiscal protectorate over the republic of Haiti, was retified last evening by the unanimous action of the Senate Though there was talk at one time of serious opposition, it did not de-

velop.
Under the treaty this country takes over the control of finances and police in Haiti, at the same time guaranteeing territorial integrity and undertaking to develop Haitian reterms are in operation now under a force of American marines. President Wilson will name a finan-cial adviser as the result of the rati-

## Tax Sale Purchaser Sues For Clear Title

fication of the treaty. He will lend his aid to the Haltian ministry of

Elizabeth M. Barry, trustee under the will of David Barry, in a rule issued by Justice McCoy, is required to show cause March 3 why a receiver should not be appointed for the property at not be appointed for the second of the rule was issued on application of Charles H. Wiltsle, who tells the court charles the property from the

he purchased the property from the Commissioners at a tax sale, and since has paid \$1.60 for taxes and interest. He seeks to acquire full possession of the property.

The petition was filed by Attorney George C. Gertman.

Committees Making Progress. **But Two Bills Reported Will** Vary Widely in Scope.

Though the House Military Committee is nearly through with the army biff, and the Senate committee is making rapid progress, it has become apparent that the military legislation is nowhere

ear completion.
Well informed lawmakers today said the military legislation will be shi ultimately in conference. Between the House bill and the Separe bill there will be wide differences. Conferees will patch

One thing stready clear is that the Senate is going to give the broadest kind of consideration to the legislation. It will pass a stronger and more comprehensive measure than the House, partly because it has more latitude.

Not only will it provide for a larger regular army, according to pressuit inresular army, according to present in-dications, than the House, but the Sen-ate committee is working out a plan which will call for a much fuller meas-ure of Federalization of the national guard than the House committee bill. All indications are it will be two or three months before the military legis-lation can be passed. The same is true of navy legislation.

The same is true of navy legislation,
The military appropriation bill will
have to be held back until Congress can
know what kind of a military force it
has to appropriate for.
This This, of course, is the outlook if the country keeps out of the European langle. If there is a diplomatic breach and a threatened or actual state of war, then all existing plans for army legislation and navy legislation will become "scraps of paper."

#### COMING EVENTS ON CAPITAL'S PROGRAM

Today's Amusements - Schedule for Tomorrow.

Meeting Osteopathic Association of the Dis-trict, at office of Br. Alice Shiviey, 100 Wyoming avenne, 5p. m. Demonstration of Boy Scout work, Fifth Rapitat Church, E street southwest, be-tween Sixth and Seventh streets, 5 p. m. Meeting, Iowa Society of Washingten, gold room, Raleigh, 8 p. m. teeting, Iowa Society of Washington, gold room, Raleigh, \$ p. m. leeting. Washington branch of the Washington branch of the Washington branch of the Washington branch of the Navy League. Willard, 10:30 a. m. scital for the blind, Miss Katherine P. Wright, Library of Congress, 8:13 n. m. scture, "China," Mrs. Cari Spahmer, Home Wright, Lottury of Congress, S.B. p. m.
Lecture, 'China,' Mrs. Cari Spahmor, Home
Club, 8:15 p. m.
Meeting, Columbia Chapter, B. A. R.
leigh 8 p. m.
Leap year masquerade, board of Grecture of
the Hebrew Home for the Aged, old Masonic Temple, 8 p. m.
Lincoin transcontinental highway motion
picture chibition, under auspices of the
Washington Board of Trade, large ballroom,
Willard, 3 p. m.
Meeting, Housekeepers' Alliance, 14 Jackson
place, 2:30 p. m. Entertainment, "The Boys and Girls of the West." Sacred Heart Dramstic Club. Arcade. \$ p. m.
Musical program, Bethel Literary Society.
Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, \$ p. m.
Maccabees—Mt Vermon Tent, No. 4. Brightwood Tent, No. 5.
Masonic—Lebanon, No. 7. Masters' Association; Columbia, No. 1, Royal Arch; Albert Pike Consistory, Scottish Rite; Mispah, No. 8, Friendship, No. 17, Eastern Star.
Knights of Pythias—Webster, No. 7; Excelsior, No. 14; Capital, No. 21; Mayrile, No. 25, Odd Fellows—Golden Rule, No. 21; Washington, No. 6; Amity, No. 27, Maccabees—Officers' Club, Woman's Benefit Association, home of Miss Edna McIntosh, sis North Carolina avenue southeast, \$ p. m.: party by Victory Review, No. 11, Pythian Temple, \$ p. m.
Daughters of Isabelis—Bowling Club, St. Mary's Hall; leap year dance, K. 65; C. Hall.

Jr. O. U. A. M.—Fotomac Council, No. 20, initiation.
Daughters of America—Fidelity Council, No. 4

Amusements.

National-George Arliss, in "Paganini," 8:15 8:20 p. m.
Poil's—"Kick In." 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Keith's—Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Gayety—Hurlesque, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Loew's Columbia—Photoplays, 11 a. m. to 11

Meeting, Jewish congress committee, Pythian Temple, 8 p. m.
Meeting, heads of social committees of young people's societies of Mt. Pleasant, Fourth Presbyterian Church, 7:20 p. m.
Basaar and tea dance, board of lady managers of the Episcopal Eye, Ear and Threat Hospital, Raleigh,
Banquet, Vaughn Class, Culvary Baptist Church, in Sunday school room, 6 p. m.
Address, L. Wilbur Messer, Y. M. C. A., 8 p. m.

Church, in Sunday School.

Address. L. Wilbur Messer, Y. M. C. A., S. p. m.
Personal work conference, Eckington Presbyterian Church, 7, 5 p. m.
Meeting, Citisens' Association of Chary Chase, Chevy Chase School, S. p. m.
Ezercises, before statue of General Grant, Statuary Hall, Capitol, under adaptices of Kit Carson Post, No. 20, Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., 4:45 p. m.
Address, "The World Wide Co-operative Movement," Harry W. Laidler, Public Library, 8:15 p. m.
Dramatic recital, Washington Readers' Cluband Bolgiano Class, Foundry M. E. Church, S. p. m.
Benefit dance, Stonewall Jackson Chapter, No. 20, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Hotel Lafrayette, S. p. m.
Meeting, Committee of One Hundred on the Development of Washington, at home of Henning Jennings, 2221 Massuchusetts avenue northwest, 8:30 p. m.
Debate, junior and senior debating societies of the Georgetown University, S. p. m.
Old-fashioned dance, Home Club, S. p. m.
Meeting, Board of Education, Franklin School, 3:30 p. m.
Meeting, Day Nursery, Raleigh, 10:30 s. m. 3:30 p. m. Meeting, Day Nursery, Raleigh, 10:30 a. m. Meeting, District committee, D. A. R., Ra Meeting. District committee. D. A. R., Ratelgh. S. D. M.
Meeting. Socialist party, Sunday school conference. Sil E street northwest, S. D. M.
Meeting. Washington Drum and Burle Corps.
Naval Battalion Armory, 7:30 D. M.
Masonic-Washington Centennial. No. 14:
Osiris. No. 2: King Solomon, No. II; Areme.
No. 10. Eastern Star.
Knights of Fythias—Mount Vornon. No. 5:
Equal. No. 17: Friendship Temple. No. 2:
Fythian Sisters.
Odd Fellows—Eastern, No. 7: Federal City.
750. 26: Harmony, No. 9: Friendship, No. 17:
Mount Nebo. No. 6. Encampment.
National Union—General Deputies' Association. beadquarters.

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Ir. O. U. A. M.—Joint executive committee.

Old Masonic Temple, Ninth and F streets
northwest, T.p. m.; visit by State Councilor
Bronwell and staff, America Council, No.

44, 304 B street southeast, S.p. m.

Royal Arcanum—Entertainment and dance,
members and ladies, Northeast Masonio
Temple, Eighth and F streets northeast.

Drama League to Meet. "Philosophy in the Modern Drama" will be discussed by members of the Study Club of the Washington Center Study Club of the Washington Center of the Drama Loague at a meeting in the Public Library Thursday evening at 8:15. The speakers will include Miss Sara Koenigsberger, Miss Myra C. Hole and Bertran Block.

The final meeting of the present season will be held March 18, when "Shakespeare and the Moderns" will be discussed.

## To Confer Degree.

The Fellow Craft's degree will be conferred at a stated communication of M., tomorrow at 2 o'clock, at Masonic Temple.

Jun'or Warden Charles P. Johnson will head the official line. He will be assisted by Senior Deacon Arthur C. Webb. King Solomon Lodge, No. 31, F. A. A.